

## A TIP TO TOURISTS.

A Trip on the Clearwater Up the Ocklawaha to Silver Springs.

Jacksonville Metropolis.

Of all the magnificent scenery one ever beheld it is seen at this season of the year on the upper St. Johns and the Ocklawaha.

Having just returned from such a trip on the fine new boat Clearwater, I am prepared to let our visitors and townspeople know that a pleasure trip of this kind would more than gratify their desires to see the beautiful, and enjoy to the fullest extent all one could hope for in nature.

One grand picturesque view is no sooner lost to the sight, than another surpassing it if possible in the loveliness and manifold variety appears. The eagles nest, in the top of a tall cypress, with the parent eagle seated on a near branch; the far famed red-bird darting hither and thither, now in and now out from among the new growth of foliage; the mocking bird, with its shrill, keen imitation notes, are but a few of nature's provisions for the tourist's enjoyment.

To miss such a trip when one is in Florida is to be deprived of a fund of enjoyment, the like of which is rare during a lifetime.

The happy surprise one meets with on this exceedingly crooked stream are numerous.

The Ocklawaha is also the home of the heron, the crane and blackbird, all of which are numerous.

As we travel nearer the source of this magnificent stream, the perfect reflections in the mirror-like surface, to a thoughtful mind, typify the reflections of Deity through the soul when human thought is still, for it is then the Divine image becomes perfected through humanity. Just as the moving of the water produces broken reflections so does human thought admit only imperfect recognition of our divinity.

No pen ever has or can do justice to Silver Springs. To see them one's self is the only means of appreciation. Nature surely surpassed herself in giving beauty to these springs, and language is far to tame to undertake a description.

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## More Riots.

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## A Bum Game.

That is the way the Gainesville Sun describes the game between the Stetson and E. F. S. team played in that city Thursday afternoon.

The Sun says: To use a vulgar expression, the rottenest game of ball ever seen on the Gainesville diamond occurred Thursday afternoon, and those who witnessed it were thoroughly disgusted. In fact, a number left the grounds before the game was over, for E. F. S. and Stetson were so unevenly matched in the matter of efficiency in the national game that the contest did not appear interesting.

"It was a bad day for the E. F. S. team. Not only was their work very poor, but they went against one of the strongest college teams in the state, and when it came to playing ball they were not in it."

"The Stetson boys are all clever, wholesome boys, and made many friends here. They are also good ball players, which fact was fully demonstrated."

"Edward F. Oates, of DeLand, one of the students, was manager of the Stetson team, and developed the fact that he knew how to handle his men."

## General Foster's Report.

We are in receipt of Adjutant General J. Clifford R. Foster's report. It comprises something over one hundred pages and gives a full report of the military efficiency of the state and its equipment. The report also contains eulogies to Gen. J. J. Dickson, who died in this city last August, and to Capt. Charles B. Spratt, who died in Jacksonville last November.

## SCHOOL CONTEST.

Quite a Number in Attendance—Especially, Orations and Maps all Creditable.

In order to stimulate a greater interest in oratory, essay writing and map drawing Hon. W. D. Carn, superintendent of public instruction for this county, offered the following prizes, to-wit: For the best original oration, best essay and best map of Marion county, \$10 each; second best, \$5; third best, \$2.50.

The contributors to the prize fund were the following gentlemen: S. H. Gaitskill and W. M. Gist, of McIntosh; Charles Thomas, of Pine; C. L. Bittenger and Frank Harris, of Ocala.

Only enrolled pupils in the public schools of the county were allowed to participate in the contest.

The contestants were required to sign a pledge saying that no assistance was rendered them in their work. They were allowed to search the newspapers and books and use quotations therefrom, provided full credit to the authors was given.

The map was to be one of Marion county containing sections, townships, ranges, railroads, postoffices, schools, lakes, rivers, etc. The coloring and additional features was left entirely to the taste of the contestants.

The contest took place at the armory at 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

The following were the judges: On orations, Dr. S. H. Blitch, Messrs. E. L. Wartmann and Frank Harris; on essays, Dr. W. C. Lindsay, Lieutenant John M. Graham and R. C. Lowridge; on map drawing, Rev. J. A. Hendry, C. L. Bittenger and Mrs. Fannie Whittington.

In making their decisions on essays and orations the judges were to grade the same as follows: Subject matter, 35 per cent; delivery, 20 per cent; diction, 25 per cent; general effect 25 per cent. In map drawing, accuracy 25 per cent; completeness, 25 per cent; coloring, lettering, etc., 25 per cent.

The pupils were given the following subjects to select from:

For Essays—"Does Intensive Farming Pay and Why?" "To What Extent Should the State Provide Higher Education?"

For Orations—(either affirmative or negative.) "Resolved, That an Isthmian Canal Should be Built, Owned and Protected by the United States." "Resolved, That United States Senators Should be Elected by Direct Vote of the People."

For either Essays or Speeches—"A Young Man's Chances in the Twentieth Century." "The Requirements of the Twentieth Century for Character." "Industrial Education the Need of the South."

D. R. Mixon, of Flemington, was the first on the program and the subject of his essay was, "Does Intensive Farming Pay and Why?" The subject matter of his essay was very excellent and showed that he had given it very practical study and also showed his familiarity with practical and scientific farming.

Miss Jennie Carraway's essay was exceedingly interesting and was especially notable for its splendid epigrams. Her subject was "Requirements of the Twentieth Century for Character."

She was followed by W. B. Mayfield, of Flemington, on "A Young Man's Chances in the Twentieth Century." He was well at ease and his reference to the strenuous life of Mr. Roosevelt and especially the Booker Washington incident created an audible smile throughout the audience.

Miss Americus Pillans, of the Electra school, was next and her essay on "The Requirements of the Twentieth Century for Character" was a very finished production and especially from a literary point of view. She placed the ages of Chaucer, Elizabeth, Queen Ann Johnson, Scott and Victoria in juxtaposition and drew very marked deductions from each, showing conclusively that the twentieth century requires higher standards and greater ideals. Her delivery was very graceful and the applause given her showed that she rendered her part successfully.

Miss Annie Edwards, of Ocala, was next on the program and her essay was on the same subject. She had

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did it masterfully, quoting from a great many authors and poets. She read with emphasis and animation and forgot herself in her subject and at the conclusion was warmly applauded, showing her popularity among her school friends.

Miss Evelyn Carraway, of Fellowship, read a most thoughtful and well prepared essay on the subject, "To What Extent Should the State Provide Higher Education?" pointing out the great achievements that have been accomplished by men of education. She believed that no education was too high for the state to furnish. Her paper was in every way creditable.

This completed the essays and the judges awarded the prizes as follows: First, Miss Annie Edwards, of Ocala; second, Miss Americus Pillans, of the Electra school; third, W. B. Mayfield, of Flemington.

The first name on the list of the contestants in oratory was Herbert Counts, of Ocala. The subject of his oration was, "Resolved, That an Isthmian Canal Should be Built, Owned and Protected by the United States." He handled the subject in a most admirable manner and his oration was instructive as he gave a great deal of information on the subject. He cited the Suez Canal, owned and protected by England; the encroachments and war-like preparations of Russia and he stated that while some philosophers and scholars dreamed that national and international disputes in this and coming centuries will be settled by arbitration, the great governments of the world continue to build war ships and bigger guns, and to hold her own among the nations the United States has to put herself on an equal war footing and to this end an Isthmian canal is almost imperative.

Robert Burford and Harry Shaw, of Ocala, were the other two orators contesting, both discussing "A Young Man's Chances in the Twentieth Century." Each handled the subject so skillfully, eloquently, cleverly and so truthfully that the judges in voting upon their subject matter, delivery, diction and general effect tied, each orator scoring the same number of points and the judges finding it impossible to come to a choice decided to divide the first and second prizes among them equally, giving the third prize to Herbert Counts.

The following were those who contributed maps for the contest: Carolina Pastur, Ocala school, Annie Christian, McIntosh school, Ellen Cramer, McIntosh school, Attahula Beck, Central school.

The prizes were awarded in the order named.

In delivering the prizes, Supt. Carn made a very sincere and earnest

appeal to the students and tried to stimulate them to still higher efforts and showed a relatively larger number of men, who have reached something more than neighborhood fame, were those who had received a thorough collegiate education, and that this percentage is seen in all achievements, civil, scientific, judicial and military.

Florida K. of P.'s in Session.

The Knights of Pythias of Florida last week held their annual session in Jacksonville. They were welcomed to the metropolis by Mayor Duncan U. Fletcher in an appropriate speech which was well received by the delegates and friends of the order, the opening session being public.

The delegates from the Ocala Lodge were Messrs. T. E. Biggs and G. W. Martin. Mr. Herbert Crook, by virtue of the exalted position he holds in the state organization, is also a delegate.

The many friends of Mr. Joe Sherouse, at one time a citizen of Ocala, will be pleased to know that he is now Chancellor Commander of the Montefier Lodge K. of P. in Jacksonville. The Times-Union of Thursday prints his picture in its write up of the doings of the grand lodge.

Did the Proper Thing.

Mr. Barco, of Ocala, business manager of the Commercial Bank, came down Friday afternoon to attend to some business connected with the bank. While here he expressed himself as being highly gratified with the growth of our town, and predicted a good future for us. In Mr. Barco the Commercial Bank has a very competent and efficient manager. He paid the Advocate office a call, and being a great believer in printers' ink, he left an ad and enrolled his name on our subscription list.—Dunnellon Advocate.

Pelton—Hardin.

A quiet home wedding was solemnized at the residence of Mrs. E. R. Bliss, 22 Cedar street, in Jacksonville, Tuesday evening the 10th of March. The contracting parties were Capt. Chas. G. Pelton, of New York, and Miss Grace E. Hardin, youngest daughter of Mrs. Bliss. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. Edgar Wilson. Only the immediate relatives of the bride were present. Mr. and Mrs. Pelton will make their home in New York city.

Mr. Emmet Robinson leaves Thursday for Okahumpkee, where he has accepted a position.

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